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INTRA-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM
Office of the Commissioner

FROM: Helen E. Hanks
Commissioner

DATE: April 27, 2020

SUBJECT: Visitation and Volunteer Services

TO: All Staff and Residents

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As a result of the continued Stay at Home Order regarding COVID-19 in the State, the New Hampshire Department of Corrections will be extending the suspension of visitation and volunteer services in all NHDOC facilities through Friday, May 15, 2020 until further notice. This includes in-person attorney visits. The Department of Corrections will continue accommodations for electronic attorney/client activity. In addition, upcoming tours and events are also postponed through May 15, 2020.

The Department will re-evaluate access to our facilities no later than May 15, 2020 based on the current facts regarding COVID-19 and reissue an updated memorandum for further guidance at that time.

The Department understands the importance of visitation, volunteer programming, interns and attorney/client activity and will be assessing and monitoring the situation on a daily basis. We will lift these restrictions when it is safe to do so. Attorneys with urgent needs should contact the Warden or designee for the facility housing their client. We are working aggressively to start video visitation and will send updates with a timeline out soon.

Respectfully,


Helen E. Hanks
Commissioner